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Hiding Behind Civilians

CCORDING to news dispatches, the Ger-A mane have announced that, if the allies drop bombs on any Belgian city occupied by there they will hold the inhabitants of the own responsible. There may be some distinction between their case and that of the man who hides behind a woman and throws rock; but, if there is, it is only the difference between tweedle-dum and tweedle-dec.

Citting a Mellen in the New York, New Haveh and Hartford Railroad offices isn't what it used to be.

We Know Our Own People

WOLL AINSLIE has acted wisely in refusing to object to the exhibition of Birth of a Nation." The Times-Dispatch understands and respects the sensibilities of the colored people, but it realizes that an offense to sensibilities does not in itself constitute an unlawful act.

No charge has ever been made that the picture tends to corrupt the morals of the youth, in the wording of the law, and we know our own people too well not to know equally well that the possibility of engendering "trouble between the races" in this coman absurd most question, which enves only us a means of securing valuable

Germany is everlastingly complaining that An ericans do not understand it. Never mind The civilized world understants all about Germany.

Stefansson's New "Continent"

YOW many continents does this planet con-1 1 min? Shall we ever know? It is not Boly that the present generation will ever now. Stefansson, the Canadian government's explorer, who recently emerged from our expedition in the land of ice-gorged aters, believes that the newly discovered nd in the Beaufort Sea will add thousands square unles to Canadian territory. His ceived by the Dominion.

According to this report. Stefansson discovered the new "continent" northeast of Prince Patrick Land. As far as he was able to discover, for he was there but three days, the land has mountain ranges and abundant game, the birds being very numerous. These birds were in great flocks, and the fact that they flew normaled the explorer to believe that hand row to that direction a great dis-

Shall we not hope that this new "continent" will be more durable than the "open polar sea" that was "discovered" by Dr.

hey haried the body of brave Edith Cavellin the prison yard of Brussels. The tupe which made this necessary is as as carded wool, compared with the

War Kills "The Passion Play"

the part of the Christus | of motor car operators.

on in 1900 and again

the Patherland, and he

Characters of the world characters play went to and passed them around, but they didn't do other wars. Frank Lank who was the Thief any drinking. on the Right in the cast in the presentation is the Pranco-Prussian War in 1870.

the same dime, Joseph Mayr, the Christus before Anton Lanz, was drafted as a gunner in the Bayarian army There is a story that Ludwig II. who was a patron of are too many babies. Plain to see that the "The Passion Play" and an admirer of Mayr. had the old Christus sent to a garrison, where he would not become an active partielpant in the slaughter.

sminor characters of the play went to the front, i is to buy it of the butcher.

Four were killed, two died in hospitals, the fate of the others was never known.

Many stories, now- of little interest, of this war will be written when all is over. None will appeal to the world more than that which will tell how the conflict made another "Passion Play" impossible, for it is not likely that it will be attempted in this generation,

The blood of the Duc d'Enghien was never removed from the career of Napoleon. Old Fouche said the execution was worse than a erime; it was a blunder. Germany's execution of Edith Cavell is in the same class. The blotch will remain until "the last syllable of recorded time."

Republicans Lose Issue

THAT ancient and always unreliable superstition to the general effect that Woodrow Wilson was a poor politician has received so many staggering blows in the last three years that little vitality remains in it, but even that lingering remnant is due now to disappear. In taking the leadership in the plans for national defense, the President has destroyed the single healthy political issue by means of which the Republicans had hoped to regain power.

They tried desperately to get the public excited over the Mexican problem and the policy of "watchful waiting," but they had no success. Perhaps the President has not been at his best in dealing with this vexed question-certainly he has won no notable triumph-but the critic host, although both numerous and venomous, never suggested measures that promised more satisfactory results. In this state of the case, the American people stolidly refused to feel that passionate resentment so madly urged.

The administration's conduct of the country's foreign relations, products of the European war, next received attention, but the Republican politicians were too astute to attack openly in this quarter. Privately, they encouraged Germanophile and Anglophile disaffection, but in the light of day they were constrained to admit that Mr. Wilson's sturdy Americanism and unflinching insistence that neutral rights be respected by both belligerents had their approval and indorsement. Only such newspapers as the New York Tribune, which wanted this country to declare war on Germany, and the New York Journal, which wanted war with England. only such politicians as Colonel Roosevelt and Herman Ridder, remained unsatisfied So this issue failed also.

Then the Republicans got out their old stand-by-the tariff-and tried it on a longsuffering public. There was no response. Even New England was apathetic to the timeworn appeal.

The national defense program was thought to be a valuable find. Its use was heralded by various malicious and untruthful attacks on the President and members of his Cabinet, whom it was sought to hold responsible for army and navy conditions that had prevailed for years before Mr. Wilson entered politics. The country began to see that it should be prepared for defense, and the Republican leaders hoped they would stir the President to such resentment that he would place himself on the wrong side of a popular

But he refused to be caught in this trap. Refusing also to be hurried, he made up his mind calmly as to the country's needs, consuited with his Cabinet and the experts of the War and Navy Departments, and then formulated and announced a comprehensive and consistent policy, to which only minor exceptions can be taken. He has received the promised allegiance of most of the leaders of his party, including the party leaders in Congress. He has the people behind him. There is every probability that his program, with some changes, will be the one finally adopted.

And the Republicans are left without an report of the exploration has just been re- issue on which even they believe they can

> If the Chicago Tribune failed to report the hanging of a negro by a mob at Murphysboro, Ill., it was due to the Tribune's industry in scanning the sky for a Southern atrocity.

Safety First Is the Slogan

A MERICA just now leads the nations of the earth for safety. Europe has no time to devote to the movement, but before the war began the United States inaugurated a movement to protect its people from the dangers produced by everything connected with the restlessness and intensity of the age

The automobile industry has done its share in augmenting dangers. It has, on the other hand, and to its credit, been quick in contributing to any feasible plan that will counteract such dangers. One of the best resolutions to this end was that adopted a few days since by the Safety First Federation of America at its session in Detroit. It is to depend war has played havoc with take steps to provide for legislation requir-Play" of Oberammergau, ing mental, moral and physical examination | away

being killed in battle. His This will appeal to every owner of a car as fixed He was a potter in as directly as it will to all others. There is made famous the | no reason why drivers of motor cars should tile band of men whose | not be required to conform to the same sort bled to some degree the of examination as railroad engineers, at least followed the Savior of so far as sobriety and judgment are conand who were with Him corned. Morality and a sense of responsiost of whom forsook | bility, of course, are necessary, and should be insisted upon.

The federation in Detroit did not confine its I by tourists led to action to motor car owners and operators. was last given An- It suggested legislation prohibiting the sale play the same part | of brearms except upon police certificates; ife was first for the prohibition of the sale of poisons; the by anniable traits | exile of the roller towel and public drinking thing resemblance to eups; it declared for the municipal control of public baths; the dental inspection of school LIMP was forty-one | children and against promiscuous expectoranot called to the colors | tion in public places, and railroad trespassers. The same day the claim agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad told the fourth annual safety congress in Philadelphia that it should take steps to prevent any man who indulges in intoxicants from receiving an automobile license. There speaks the temper of the age

At a dinner in Kansas City the health of President Wilson was drunk in Missouri It is the frony of history that many of the River water. They may have cut it in slices

Helty Green is said to be living in a \$3-atime of the Austrian invasion, and was also week room. If Mrs. Green didn't move so often she could afford more expensive quar-

> Professor John Francis Johnson says there the women folks. professor is not on intimate relations with Mr. Roosevelt.

Chasing the deer is great sport, but if a

SEEN ON THE SIDE

Hope Springs Eternal.

"The suffrage cause did not expire In Jersey's cruel trap; It will keep on climbing higher." Said Mrs. Diggan Sapp.

"In fact, before spring comes again, And spreads out o'er the map, Right on the wrist we'll deal these men A really stinging slap.

"By legislators' votes we plan The ballot to entrap-Then 'twill be time for merest man To take a quiet nap."

Guide Ras Symptoms.

"I failed to see you yesterday," said Newcomer to the Guide of Capitol Square. "Perhaps it was your day off."

"Not pertickler. Wife sez I'm a leetle ea every day," was the reply, with a significant

Self-Reproach.

He (bitingly)-Will you be good enough to tell me why you insist on raking up all these old stories of men who proposed to you and

She (sweetly)-So that by recalling the mistakes I made in youth I may realize to-day that got only, what I deserved.

"Old Closewad doesn't seem to be himself this morning.

"Is that so? Then let us 20 over and make that appeal for the starving widows and orphans. We might stand a chance." .

Another Short Verse. Hissing.

Von Bissing.

Music has charms to soothe a savage breast unless the music is by a German street band trying to umptah in the presence of a savage who is eating a sour pickle. That will break up a German band quicker than a lot of ants can disturb the joy of a pienic.

Wits at the Club Morgue.

At a Richmond club the other night several of the literati swapped recollections.

"One of the best old ones I recall," said the lawyer, "was that told of George Selwyn, famous in England in the fine old days. A traveler named Bruce was telling of the wonders he had seen. Bruce was a sort of Munchausen. Selwyn asked him if the Abyssinians had any music. They have one lyre, Bruce replied. Selwen turned to a friend and whispered, They have one less since Bruce left their country."

"Very good," said His Honor, who was taking his evening off. "When I was abroad a few ears ago," he went on to say, "I had the honor being a guest at the Savage Club. Among the stories I remember was one about Fitzperbert, a wit in his time. A motion in Parliament to increase the salaries of the judges was passed. Fitz, on hearing of it, remarked: The Book of Judges has been saved by the Book of Numbers!

"That story about Selwyn," said the profesto the lawyer, "recalls a remark attributed o Lord Holland. When he was very sick Selwyn called on him. 'Show him up,' said 'If I am alive I shall be delighted to see If I am dead he will be glad to see

"What's trumps?" asked the man on the Side,

it is your ambition to die in harness?" "Not exactly," replied Congressman Hamm-fatt, with much ambiguity, "My ambition is to die still keeping the people in harness,"

For the speculator: "Now does my project gather to a head."—The Tempest, v. 1. For a sharp trader: "But in the way of bargain, mark you me, I'll cavil on the ninth part of a hair."--Henry IV., iii. 1.

neeted with any incident with which you are familiar," said the teacher. Maw invited her kin to come over and help

"You mean. Tommy, that your mother invited her relatives to help her put up fruit."

"Yep. They helped her put it up, but when it comes to puttin' it down there won't be any invitations if I have any sayso."

Glenms From New Novels.

No man can appreciate, save intellectually, nother man's desire for a particular woman .-William J. Locke, in "Jaffery." A woman nowadays is only as old as har

clothes.-Mrs. John Lane, in "Maria Again." A correspondent down Maine way

"Mrs. Lydia Fernald was quick enough to eatch a live henhawk in her hands that measured two feet ten inches." We pity her husband if she ever slaps him.

The Pessimist Says:

While the Lord loves a cheerful giver-in general-it is not recorded that He extends His approval to the man who simply gives himself

Not the Same Thing. A rose by any other name would smell as

So Shakespeare once declared, and so, of

course, say L. But it's not true that gowns, with Paris brands

replete. Marked with another name would sell onehalf so high.

Chats With Virginia Editors

There is a whole world of comfort in the following from the esteemed Suffolk Herald: "It is right to seek wealth, provided you do so with the purpose of serving God with it. man may be as miserly being poor as being rich. There is no sin in being rich, in itself considered; there is no virtue in being poor."

"A Richmond minister is credited," says the Blackstone Courier, "with saying that 'the opposition to preachers participating in public affairs comes from those who do not want the that only preachers will tell the truth." The good minister hardly expected the "natural inference" to take that much liberty with his

"A number of scribes," says the Mathews Journal, "seem to have discovered close relation between President Wilson's statement favoring 'woman's suffrage' in New Jersey and the announcement of his approaching marriage. Evidently these brethren be married men and informed as to the potency of woman's influ-It's a safe bet that the majority of them ence." are bachelors dealing in stale slanders against

The Urbanna Sentinel cries aloud for some of Richmond's surplus smoke, It says; "Richmond is now trying to devise some plan to do away with the great smoke nuisance from their In the Franco-Prussian War, thirty of the man wants to cat the venison the safest way wonder if this little burg will ever be both

from some big enterprise in this town would look as good and smell just as sweet to us as a bunch of American Beauty roses."

The Henry Bulletin, which is reforming things generally in its county, says: "Henry County can raise \$400,000 worth of hay, profitably, That's about the average value of the tobacco erop. She can raise profitably a corn crop of value. She can do this and still raise 1 \$100,000 erop of tobacco. That's true, everybody will admit, but isn't it also worth thinking about?" There is hard work ahead of the man who is to divorce the Henry County tobacco grower from his pet crop. He will think some, but go right along planting tobacco to the exclusion of other things.

The editor of the average weekly paper has his troubles, just as severe as those which fall to the lot of the city scribe. The Waynesboro Virginian is now in trouble. Hear it: "The absence of the usual number of 'able editorials' in this valuable paper to-day is due to the fact that the editor is laid up, and laid out, and laid by the heels, with as bad a case of bronchial catarrh,' so the doctor calls it, as it is well possible for a man to have. We are completely hors de combat at present, but are believed to be improving some, and hope to be about in time for next week's round of the treadmill."

News of Fifty Years Ago

(From Newspaper Files October 25, 1865.)

Springfield Division, No. 167, Sons of Temperance, of this city, has resumed its connection with the national division of North America, and hopes to induce other divisions in the State to do the same, so that they can unite in the reorganization of the grand division of Vir-ginia of this former influential temperance

The thirty-first annual meeting of the stock holders of the James River and Kanawha Canal Company was held yesterday. The reports of the officers were presented and considered, and the salaries of the president and the secretary treasurer were fixed at \$3,000 per annum. payable quarterly.

Several English capitalists and noblemen, who have been in Richmond three days looking into probable investments, left for Washington last

light.

Hon, John Minor Botts is in the city, the guest of Mr. Charles Palmer, et is said that Mr. Botts's visit to the city this time has no political significance

James and D. M. Dunlop, Miss Sarah Dunlop and Robert Leslie, all of Petersburg, sailed from York on the steamship Persia day before yesterday, bound for Idverpool. They will spend

Emperor Maximilian is auxious for South to send emigrants into Mexico and is offering big inducements to Confederate soldiers to settle in that country. Several from Visiting and Virginia and North Carolina have obtoned good-paying offices by going to Mexico.

In the Fenian Congress, in Philadelphia, yes-Doran Killian, of Missouri, the man who was sent to Washington to secure the release from Fortress Monroe and the full pardon of John Mitchel, was present to report his precess, congress went wild with cheers for Prise Johnson, for Killian and for John Mitchel

The military commission trying Captain Wirz was in secret session yesterday, considering the testimony and the written argument of exercel. A Washington dispatch says the counsel for Davis has expressed to the government a

desire that his client be accorded an immediate The desire comes originally from Mr. s himself, who has declared he has "no fears for the issue," and that therefore the government will do him a favor by arraigning him at the earliest possible moment.

An Associated Press telegram from New Or-Nearly the Same.

"I suppose," said the ardent admirer, "that is vous ambition to die in hyrness?"

I leans says it is reported that General Kirby Smith was killed a few days ago by his employees, near Hempstead, Texas.

Queries and Answers

What relation are two persons who ers are first cousins? SUBSCI SUBSCRIBER. Second cousins by one way of counting and third cousins by the other.

Removal From Precinct.

His Part of the Job.

"Tommy, give an example of any tenses consected with any incident with which you are unillar," said the teacher.

"His Part of the Job.

I will have been in the precipet of my present residence twenty-one days on election day.

How may 1 vote? JOHN RANDOLPH.

At your old precinct, if in the same city or

Bryan and Taft.
Please tell me the total vote of Virginia between Bryan and Taft and the vote of Amelia County. R. S. Bryan 82,946, Taft 52,573 in the State, In Amelia, Bryan 247, Taft 73.

Current Editorial Comment

It is one of the sharpest An Irony ironies of history that Prince Louis, of Battenberg, who was forced out of his place as first sea lord because of prejudice against Germans, had the refusal of the throne of Bulgaria before it was offered to Ferdinand.

Prince Louis was serving on a British battle-ship in the Mediterranean. "Gentlemen," he said to the deputation, "you see that bit of bunting? Well, I would rather serve under that than wear any crown you or any one cise can offer me." Yet if he could have looked into the future he would have seen that he could serve England best by taking the throne of Bulgaria instead of remaining in a service that had no for him when war came. - Springfield (Mass.) Republican. Senator Weeks, of Massachu-

No 1-Cent setts, has come out in an inter-Postage view in favor of 1-cent letter Necessary postage, one of the cheap humbugs of modern political agitatation. We have 1-cent postage already. That's all a postal card costs, and it goes as surely and as quickly as a sealed envelope with a 2-cent stamp. Any communication so impor-tant as to require the secrecy of a scaled let-ter must be worth 2 cents. The benefit to any individual by reducing letter postage would be too trivial to be considered. The only gain worth talking about would be to large corporations, whose postage bill is really heavy course, everybody wants to take hold and help them out, though, frankly, we do not hear that

hey are concerned in the agitation.

With postage at present rates, the letter carriers are overburdened and more than half of what they have to lug around is worthless to it-circulars, advertisements, requests to contribute money and other similar annoyances. It bothers the post-office and bothers the public.—Hartford Courant.

Suppose the teutonic policy No Chance should prevail in Europe, which is hardly conceivable, would it Trouble he directed upon the United States, after all the enmities excited on the other side of the ocean and with

all the Eastern Continent to overrun? Any such assumption would be hardly less ridicu-lous. We shall have no occasion for picking quarrels with Europe, and every motive for maintaining firendly relations there and every-where else, and if we are not armed for picking quarrels, we are not likely to provoke any When this war is over there is every reason to believe that future wars will be less likely, and that the terms of settlement will give greater assurance of peace than ever. There will be less reason for being strongly armed for defense. It may be well enough to regard the possibilities of an alternative and have our house in better order for its security, but ther is no reason for losing our equaninity and get-ting excited or trying to make a popular issue of sheer "jingoism," simply because a national wonder if this little burg will ever be both-ered with factory smoke. A good slice of smoke campaign in politics is going to follow the com-ing session of Congress.—New York Journal of Commerce.

YOU DIRTY BOY! -:- By Chapin One of the Day's Best Cartoons.

WINE TANKE IN THE

THE FIG BROTHERS SCHEME

Franklin Chase Hoy: presiding months, but there is no reason why judge of the Children's Court of New York City, and president of the list in hand for a number of your in fact. Brothers, recently explained how it as long as they can be of assistance was possible for a court considering the welfare of children to exercise a great range of discretion in its work, and at the same time have strict regard for the law. The particular phase of his work which Judge Holt dwelt quiding of the charge. In many cases on was the activities of such societies persons of some means and a strong of his work which Judge Holt welt on was the activities of such societies as the Big Brothers, the Catholic Boys Protective League, sometimes known as the Catholic Big Brothers, the Jew ish Big Brothers, the Catholic Lades' Committee, and the Protestant Big Sisters. The societies are independent organizations, having as their sole purpose the betterment of such children aw may be assigned to them. In its own way each society does practically the same kind of work as is done by the Big Brothers, so that an account of the ling Brothers includes all the other societies. There are two classes of chil, drem with whom the court has to deal," said Judge Holt, in the New York dren with when the court has to deal," said Judge Holt, in the New York Times, "the neglected child and the sponsible for their trouble, delinquent child, the child that has been offended against, and the child that has been offended. The courses of proton that has offended. The courses of proton that has offended in the two cases."

Jurisdiction of the Court. The court can keep a child under strict supervision only for a short period of time, seldom longer than a year and generally only about six News.

-From St. Louis Rev

The court has its own corps of probation officers, to which are assigned all serious delinquency cases. The offenses committed by these children are such that the court feels they need careful watching. In many cases they are children from good neighborhoods. Who are handlcapped by a perverted pidea of right and wrong. They are awakening in them a sense of pride closely watched by probation officers, and reports regarding them are regularly submitted to the court. But the work which probation officers can do is aid in problems of the boys' every. larly submitted to the court. But the work which probation officers can do is limited. They cannot secure employment for children, and they cannot have the companionship and the benefit of intimate personal influence. Among the children who come to the attention of the court are many whose main trouble is the want of personal attention. This group forms a class distinct from the first, and it is to this group that the Big Brother and shallar societies devote their efforts for good.

LITTLE TALKS ON THRIFT

By S. W. STRAUS President American Society for Thrift

much they have earned all told in their lives? How many have ever during their workaday hours stopped long or friends, "Insurance and investtheir workaday hours stopped long or friends, "Insurance a ments" explain themselves. they could have saved if they had wanted to and how much they possess free and clear now? How many know ference between the sum total in the what percentage of their earnings has "received column" and that in the been frittered away?

How can one know without a defikeeping track of all of one's receipts of all expenditures. and expenditures?

it stood financially if it kept no books? guard against this in the future. It would be unable to plan for future outlays, because it would have no rec-

Every person should keep a personal account book. It need not be a specially made book; any ordinary notebook will do Ruie each page into that war extant, resulted after two

Received-date; items paid out-living expenses; cars, phones and postage clothing; laundry; health; amusements ! and vacation; education; gifts; charity and donations; insurance and invest-

Each payment should be entered as possible after it is received. It well to trust to the n-emory,

account and total cash on hand. Enter receipts from all sources: Under "date" enter the day on which an amount was received or paid out. Enter under "items" the source from which money s received as salary, interest from any investment or otherwise. Keep track under "paid out" of every cent paid penses" accounts for everything spent for food, shelter, light, heat, furnishings, household service, etc. "Cars, phones and postage" need no explana material, millinery, footwear, gloves "Laundry" includes washing and leaning. "Health" includes doctor dry eleaning. and dentist bills, medicines and toilet articles. Enter under "amusements and vacation" all sums spent for theaters, noliday excursions and vacations. ter under "education" everything spent for self-improvement, books, lectures,

How many people have any idea how classes, etc. "Charity" covers contri-A column should be left blank in which to enter items that do not be-

long in the other columns. The difout" column is the amount you should have on hand either in investment, say-How can one know without a defi-nite system of finding out-without and annual summary should be made

by keeping such a personal account and expenditures?

How could a corporation tell where much has been usclessly spent and can

the came with individuals.

They cannot tell how or where to save unless they know what they spend their money for.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 22.—
Some one raised the question in the War Department to-day as to whether women spies were shot during the women spies were shot during the Civil War.

A furious search through the Civil columns and head each column as fol- hours in an emphatic not!"-New York Evening Sun.

Waiting for the Verdlet. As only the people and their representatives in Congress and the President have authorized the income tax. the nation waits to see what five of nine judges will do.—Kansas City Star.

Sweethearts. even for a single day.

Under "received" enter the balance of your checking account, the savings

Sweetheart, we've traveled far toward the setting of the sun.

For you and me, dear wife of mine, the

race is nearly run. But, lass, we fared with merry heart life's sunny summer ways, And found the haunts of happiness when winter crossed our days.

We ringed the clock with joy around on many a morn in May; And now December's frosty breath has turned your tresses gray You're just as fair to me, dear heart, as when we both were young, And lightly on the highway, lass, your

And still your voice is sweet as when in froite days of old Your laughter rippled down the wind in notes of liquid gold.

Though sorrow shadowed us at times, we've had our share of fun; week-end trips, entertainments, half- And hand in hand, sweetheart, we'll greet the setting of the sun.
--Alfred Thorne, in Boston Globe.

tripping footstep rung.